

Town of Twisp

Council Minutes – 09/15/16

Mayor Ing-Moody called the meeting to order at 5:31 pm.

Council Members present: Alan Caswell
 John Fleming
 Hans Smith
 Aaron Studen

Council Member Lloyd submitted his resignation letter effective immediately to the Council at the start of the meeting.

Pledge of Allegiance

Council Member Caswell led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Request for Additions or Deletions to the Agenda

Additions: Recognition of Service for Council Member Bob Lloyd, Action: Pool Renovation Costs
 Discussion: Council Committee Assignments

Deletions: None

Public Comment Period: Up to Three Minutes

Bruce Morrison, Parks and Recreation Commissioner, expressed his appreciation of Barry Stromberger who came to the last Parks and Recreation (P/Rec) Commission meeting to discuss the yellow jacket art piece that is proposed to be placed in the Commons Park. Mr. Morrison also expressed his appreciation of Dwight Filer who came to the same meeting to discuss community trail issues with the Commissioners.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Ing-Moody reported on the following:

- She reported that she attended the Mayor's Exchange and moderated the State Auditor's portion of the Candidate's Forum in Renton that was organized by the Association of Washington Cities (AWC).
- She noted that she and Council Member Fleming presented the grant application for a sports complex renovation to the Recreation Conservation Office (RCO) in Olympia. Since then, she has been informed that the Youth Athletic Facilities (YAF) grant placed 9th out of 18 applications and the Washington Wildlife Recreation Program (WWRP) placed 15th out of 77 applications. The state legislature has to approve the necessary funding in the 2017 budget, in order for those grant programs to be awarded.

Staff Reports

Written staff reports were submitted and placed in the Council packets for review. Mayor Ing-Moody asked Council if they had any questions regarding the reports submitted by the Department Heads.

PW Director Denham

- He reported that Omak Paving donated excess paving material from another project which was placed on Bugar Street.

Chief Budrow

- When he was asked by a Council Member regarding the consistently listing of a particular street address, he stated that drug related issues are usually the reason an address is repeatedly noted in the local newspaper's News of Records.

Commission/Committee/Board Reports

There were no reports submitted.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS

Recognition of Service for Bob Lloyd

Mayor Ing-Moody recognized Bob Lloyd for his services as a council member since 2012. She expressed her appreciation of his dedicated service to the Town and particularly valuing his expertise in public works matters. She stated that he will be greatly missed by the Town. Council Member Fleming stated appreciation for Mr. Lloyd's consistent and often time's solitary position on council matters. Council Member Caswell stated his appreciation as well.

Presentation/Action: Yellow Jacket Art Placement – Commons Park

Amanda Jackson Mott Executive Director of Methow Arts Alliance, Chris Johnson Executive Director of Methow Salmon Recovery Foundation (MSRF), and Barry Stromberger commissioned artist discussed the Yellow Jacket art piece with Mayor Ing-Moody and Council.

Mr. Stromberger noted that the art piece is engineered with public safety in mind considering weather and durability. They have been working with Director Denham on placement of the piece in the Park.

Ms. Mott expressed her appreciation of the placement of pieces in the Commons Park and expressed her hope that this art piece would be a way finder and draw people together at the park.

Mr. Johnson explained that the skin of the yellow jacket came from cars pulled out of the Methow River as part of a MSRF clean-up campaign. He stated that the art piece is owned by MSRF at this time but ownership could be gifted to the Town at a later date, if desired by Council.

It was a consensus of the Council that the art work should stay under the ownership of MSRF at this time.

Motion:

The motion was made by Council Member Smith to pursue placement of the art piece in the Commons Park and to enable the Mayor and Staff to work on an agreement, if necessary. The motion was seconded by Council Member Fleming and passed unanimously.

Action: Agreement with Lloyd Holdco, LLC for Twisp Community Trail Project In-Kind Match

At the last council meeting, the Council and Bob Lloyd discussed a potential agreement between the Town and Lloyd Holdco which would define the terms of the in-kind donation Lloyds would provide, after the withdrawal of an easement from the community trail project.

Mr. Lloyd provided options for determining the cost of in-kind contributions. The Council considered whether WSDOT force account rates seemed the best way to determine the costs.

Mr. Lloyd questioned the rationale behind the paragraph stating that Lloyds will give 90 days' advance written notice of if they were to be unable or unwilling to make the in-kind contributions within the required timeline. The Council discussed the merits of a 90 day notice.

Dwight Filer interjected wishing to speak and Mayor Ing-Moody called for order as Mr. Filer was not part of the Council's negotiation, and stated that he had waived his ability to provide public comment at the beginning of the meeting. She stated the Mr. Filer is welcome to come and speak to her anytime about this matter as her door is always open.

Public Works Director Denham was asked to research how in-kind services could be used for construction of the trail project and Council Member Smith volunteered to make suggested revisions to the agreement.

Action: Award of Contract for the Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) Twisp Avenue (SR 20 to Lincoln Street) Street Project

On August 24th, Lloyd Logging was the successful bidder on the Twisp Avenue (SR 20 to Lincoln Street) Street project in the amount of \$163,689.

Motion:

The motion was made by Council Member Smith to award the contract for the Transportation Alternatives Program Twisp Avenue (SR 20 to Lincoln Street) Street project to Lloyd Logging. The motion was seconded by Council Member Fleming and passed unanimously.

Action: Award of Contract for the Surface Transportation Program (STP) SR 20 Sidewalk Improvement Project

On August 23rd, J & K Earthworks was the successful bidder on the SR 20 Sidewalk Improvement Project in the amount of \$625,642.

Motion:

The motion was made by Council Member Smith to award the contract for the Surface Transportation Program SR 20 Sidewalk Improvement Project to J & K Earthworks. The motion was seconded by Council Member Fleming and passed unanimously.

Action: Resolution #16-588 – USDA SR 20 Waterline Project Loan

A requirement of the STP SR 20 Sidewalk project is that infrastructure (water lines or sewer lines) associated with the project be in good condition. It was found that the waterline on SR 20 from Wagner Street to the town limits does not meet the requirements of STP. As such, the Town of Twisp will need to take out a loan with USDA to replace the water lines for the length of the project in the amount of \$515,450. The pipe is being up-sized to provide for future growth in Twisp. Payments on the loan do not commence until 2018.

Motion:

Council Member Fleming made the motion to approve the loan agreement with USDA in the amount of \$515,450 as presented in Resolution #16-589 to replace the waterline under SR 20 for the STP project. The motion was seconded by Council Member Caswell and passed unanimously.

Action: Resolution #16-589 – Interfund Loan From Reserve Fund to Street Fund

The Street Reserve Fund does not have enough excess funds to meet expenditures of said fund at this time. The Street Fund is in need of funds to have a sufficient cash flow to cover expenses.

Motion:

Council Member Fleming made the motion to approve the transfer of \$3000 from the Sewer Reserve Fund to the Street Fund. The motion was seconded by Council Member Studen and passed unanimously.

Pool Renovation Expenses

At the completion of the 2016 pool renovation project there is still approximately \$19,000 in expenses that have not been paid for by donations. The Friends of the Pool had taken on the responsibility of raising the funds to cover the renovation and will continue to raise funds to cover the short fall.

The Town could take out a loan with the Okanogan County Electric Cooperative to cover the cost of the short fall or move funds from a reserve fund until the funds are replaced.

Motion:

Council Member Smith made the motion to approve the transfer of the approximate \$19,000 from the General Reserve Fund to the Pool Renovation expense line until such time as the funds can be replaced. The motion was seconded by Council Member Studen and passed unanimously.

Council Committee Assignments

With the resignation of Bob Lloyd, new committee assignments were given to the remaining council members. Council Member Caswell is now assigned to the Public Works committee and Council Member Fleming has been named the chairman.

Council Member Smith is now assigned to the Finance committee. Council Member Smith has been removed from the Methow Watershed Council as the alternate and Council Member Fleming is the remaining committee member. Mayor Ing-Moody is the representative to the Okanogan Council of Governments and Council Member Fleming has been assigned as her alternate.

Consent Agenda

- Accounts Payable/Payroll

Vouchers audited and certified by the auditing officer as required by RCW 42.24.080, and those expense reimbursement claims certified as required by RCW 42.24.090, have been recorded on a listing, which has been made available to the Town Council. The following voucher/checks are approved for payment by a majority vote on this 15th day of September, 2016.

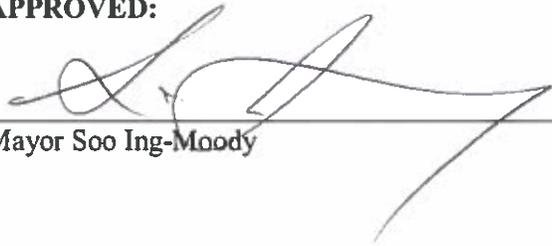
Payroll	EFTs Trans # 1751-1772, 1782-1786 Checks 14194-14204	\$64,424.92	08/31/16
Cashmere Valley Bank	EFTs Trans #1814-1815	\$1,086.52	09/01/16
US Rural Development	EFT Trans # 1816	\$395.00	09/02/16
Accounts Payable	Checks 32537-32579	\$39,646.14	09/13/16

Council Member Smith moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Council Member Fleming and passed.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Council, Mayor Ing-Moody adjourned the meeting at 7:36 pm.

APPROVED:



Mayor Soo Ing-Moody

ATTEST:



Clerk/Treasurer Jackie Moriarty